(b) Does not arise.

Involvement of Pak nationals in ammunition depot explosions in Rajasthan

1072. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that involvement of Pakistani nationals in the ammunition depot explosions in Rajasthan and having photographs of vital defence installations, besides sketches of ammunition deposits and details of troops location, has come to light recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any inquiry has been made to identify the involvement of army personnel in leaking the military secrets;

(d) if so, what is the outcome thereof; and

(e) what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) Report of Court of Inquiry is awaited.

(c) and (d) Investigations have revealed no involvement of any army personnel in this case.

(e) Does not arise.

Indian Navy in need of more Aircraft Carriers

1073. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Navy needs to have atleast three aircraft carriers in view of the changed security scenario in the region;

(b) whether any request from the Indian Navy has been received by Government for acquiring aircraft carriers;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the progress Government have made in acquiring Admiral Gorshko from Russia?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (d) The Indian Navy needs to have two